The Economics of Institutions
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MAIN BACKGROUND BOOKS FOR THIS CLASS:
( Longer list of related readings at the end)

Menard, Claude and Shirley, Mary (2005) Handbook of New Institutional Economics
Springer – Verlag.


Greif , Avner (2006) Institutions and the Path to the Modern Economy. Cambridge
University Press.

Knight, Jack, and Itai Sened (1998) Explaining Social Institutions. The University of
Michigan Press.

Princeton University Press.
INTRODUCTION


INSTITUTIONS AND DEVELOPMENT


**A QUICK REVIEW OF REPEATED GAMES**


McCarty and Meirowitz (2007) *Political Game Theory*. Cambridge. Ch. 9


**REPEATED GAMES AND INSTITUTIONS**

Aoki, Masahiko (2001) Toward a Comparative Institutional Analysis. MIT Press. (Especially chapters 1, 7 and 9)


**CONTRACTS / AGENCY**


THEORY OF THE FIRM / CONTROL RIGHTS


Hart, Oliver (1995) Firms, Contracts and Financial Structure


ORGANIZATIONS


TRANSACTION COST ECONOMICS & TRANSACTION COST POLITICS


ENDOGENEIZING INSTITUTIONS AND THEORIZING ABOUT THEM


COOPERATION


**EMERGENCE AND CHANGE OF INSTITUTIONS**


CONSTITUTIONS/ SOCIAL CONTRACTS


LAW / COURTS


INCOMPLETE CONTRACTS


THE INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATION OF GOVERNMENT


SOCIAL INTERACTIONS


INFORMAL INSTITUTIONS, CULTURE, IDEOLOGY, SOCIAL CAPITAL.


OTHER APPLICATIONS

FEDERALISM


INTERNATIONAL

http://politics.as.nyu.edu/docs/IO/2601/TransactionsCostsApproach.pdf


OTHER


REFERENCE BOOKS: (secondary)


